## EXERCISE 'BRAZEN BANDICOOT'

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the hills.

Each company, nonetheless, took it's share of accivenes as the exercise unfolded, including operior and desiration of large shares of courtry, clearance and office and office and office and the property of the court of the fire support base and the inevitation quick of the fire support base and the inevitation quick otherprint of the support of the court of the court of the support of the court of the cour

an exciting few minutes — the CO was hamused?



CPL Mick Goodwin into the jumple.

It was rumoured that in the planning stages

Exercise Brazen Bandsori was to be a betrainer affair with a few. You Brigade units in support, including Headquarters 2rd Brigade, Naturally when the penny dropped at headquarters it soon became a brigade exercise. Expair than 18en Hur?, with the 2rd 49th

exection, tegger than 'Ben Her', with the 2nd/4h Battalion as the main player.

More disturting however, to the lower ocholosis a planning and furphine developed; were the stories of a 60 kichnetic advance over lyames it, much the same as those out the tack of Lavirack, A Quick look out of the Carlbox windows as we descended

As A and B Companies quickly discovered, it was going to be a long, hot and generally uphill walk in pursuit of the enemy, elusive creatures that they were. Nevertheless, most who passed to reflect on the new control of the search of the se





By the end of the first weekend after some fifty lometres of rough country, the enemy was for the

Hidden Valley for a rest and redeployment on the next phase. The concentration area sited in a spot familiar to seasoned campaginess, was hurriedy relocated from its original site when a bushfire very nearly concern with a whole area, and 5 Platoon, who were

The enemy proved more elusive, if not nonexament in the jumple. Most Companies bashed a lot of bush, thoughto no avoil, while Reconcame to gross unespectedly with the enemy near his lar with

embarrassing results. The subsequent redeployment, described by some cyhics as a testing company solves soon closed the net on the enemy main base.

Close reconnaissance by A and B Companies and

Close recommissance by A and B Companies and the remainder of Recom Platton set the scene for the final big attack. C Company's initial assault, had only 10 bioles left by the time Defta Company pushed through, set the seal on the performance. Doubtless there are many tales within the

companies that will go untold, at least in print, but on the whole most agree it was all worthwhile.









CSM Smith, CPL Schwerdinger, PTE Uppan and PTE Gray during D Company resuspile







LCPL Hirsch, B Coy.



The Battalion CP



PTE Noakes (patient) D Coy. CPL Finn (amoutating) Medic



Evans the IO and PTE Intilli with POW. Who says I can't shoot him?



107 BTY on the move.



The IO and his band of renowned spies.





B Coy: LCPL Godfrey, PTE Hoffrichter, PTE Terbos and PTE Stumpy Payne.

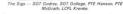


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With a little help from our "friends"



Kangaroo Hill airstrip unloading stores.





SGT Gollege don't worry, it does work sometimes!



PTE Speedy Collins and PTE Burns of D Coy going halves on the water.



Mortarman FTE Wick Scheepers



A distinct lack of personal cam by 2IC A Coy.



WO2 Dicton and CPL Smallwood — the paper war is never won.